(b) whether Madhya Pradesh Government has asked the Central Government to redeploy the CRPF batallion in the said naxal-affected areas;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is a fact that naxalite violence has intensified during the past few years; and

(e) if so the details of efforts being made by Government to stop the violence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) One batallion of CRPF was temporarily withdrawn from Madhya Pradesh and deployed in Chhattisgarh for special anti-naxalite operations. One batallion has since been re-deployed in Madhya Pradesh.

(d) In 2005, 20 naxal incidents involving 3 casualties were reported from Madhya Pradesh as against 13 such incidents involving 4 casualties in 2004. During the current year till June end, 5 incidents have been reported from the State.

(e) The Government has been pursuing a multi-pronged approach to address the problem on politcal, security and development fronts in a coordinated manner. The Central Government has taken specific measures to coordinate and supplement the efforts and resources of the naxal affected States on both security and development fronts to meet the challenge posed by the naxal problem.

Assistance provided to Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh for tackling naxalism

†918. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the assistance provided by the Central Government for naxalite affected areas of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh during 2005-06 and 2006-07;

(b) whether armed forces have been provided to these States; and

(c) whether any financial assistance is also being provided besides armed forces?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The Central Government has provided the follwoing assistance to the States of Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme during 2005-06 and 2006-07:

(Rs. in lakhs)

	2005-06	2006-07
Madhya Pradesh	108.00	—
Chhattisgarh	1084.54	500.00

(b) 11 batallions of CPMF in Chhattisgarh and 1 batallion of CRPF in Madhya Pradesh have been deployed for anti-naxalite operations.

(c) Central assistance is also provided to these States under the Police Modernisation, Backward Districts Initiative (BDI) etc.

Naxal affected districts of Madhya Pradesh

†919. MISS. ANUSUIYA UIKEY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the districts in Madhya Pradesh afflicted by naxalism;

(b) whether the State Government has requested to include Reeva, Sidhi, Shahdol and Umeriya districts into the list of naxal affected districts, keeping in view the activities of naxalites; and

(c) if so, by when assistance for security would be provided for those areas by the Central Government assuming those districts afflicted by naxalism?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Some parts of Balaghat, Dindori and Mandla districts in Madhya Pradesh are affected by naxalism.

(b) and (c) The request of the State Government to include Reeva, Sidhi, Shahdol and Umeriya districts under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE), Scheme was examined by the Central Government. However, keeping in view the extent of naxal activities in these districts, it was felt

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